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T H A N K S G I V I N G

To Almighty God for having put an end to
THE GREAT REBELLION by the Restitution
of the KING and ROYAL FAMILY.

And the Restauration of the GOVERNMENT
after many years Interruption: Which unspeakable
Mercies were wonderfully Completed upon the 29th
of May, in the year, 1660.

And in Memory thereof, that Day in every Year is by
Act of Parliament Appointed to be for ever kept Holy.

By His Majesties Special Command.

L O N D O N,

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Kings most Excellent Majesty. 1685.



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THe Form of Prayer with Thanksgiving heretofore appointed for the Twenty Ninth of *May*, relating in several Passages of it to the Birth and Person of Our most dearly beloved Brother, King *Charles* the Second, and so upon occasion of his Death being necessarily to be Altered; And it being now by Our special Command to the Bishops so Altered and Settled to Our Satisfaction, as a perpetual Office of Thanksgiving for the Standing Mercies of that Day: Our Express Will and Pleasure is, That it be forthwith Printed and Published as here it followeth; to be used henceforth upon every Twenty Ninth of *May* in all Churches, and Chapels within Our Kingdom of *England* and Dominion of *Wales* in such manner, as is therein Directed. Given at Our Court at *Whitehall* the Twenty Ninth Day of *April*, 1685. In the First Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

Sunderland.

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The Act of Parliament Made in the Twelfth and
Confirmed in the Thirteenth Year of King
Charles the Second, For the Observation of the Twen-
ty Ninth Day of May yearly, as a Day of Publick
Thanksgiving, is to be Read publickly in all Church-
es at Morning Prayer, immediately after the *Gloria*
Credo on the Lords Day next before every such
Twenty Ninth of May, and Notice to be given for the
due observation of the said Day.

The Office used hitherto upon this Day, ever since it
was by Act of Parliament Established, relating in
several Passages to the Birth and Person of King
Charles the Second; It is thought fit, now upon oc-
casion of his Death, to alter it as followeth.

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office
for Holy days; except where it is in this Office other-
wise appointed.

If this day shall happen to be *Ascension-Day*, or
Whit-sunday, the Collects of this Office are to be
added to the Offices of those Festivals in their proper
places; And if *Munday* or *Tuesday* in *Whitsun Week*
or *Trinity Sunday*, the proper Psalms here appoint-
ed for this Day, instead of those of ordinary course,
shall be also used, and the Collects added as before;
And in all these cases the rest of this Office shall be
omitted: But if it shall happen to be any other
Sunday, this whole Office shall be used, as it follow-
eth, entirely. And what Festival soever shall happen
to fall upon this Solemn Day of Thanksgiving, the
following Hymn appointed instead of *Venite exultate*
shall be constantly used.

¶ Morning

The Order for Morning Prayer.

Thus followeth the order for Morning Prayer.

¶ Morning Prayer shall begin with these Sentences.

In the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: Neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his Laws, which he set before us.

Psalm 136. Verse 1. **Th**ink of the Lord's Mercies that we were not consumed: because his compassions fail not. Luke iii. 22.

¶ Instead of *Venite exultemus*, shall be said or sung this Hymn following; One verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and People.

Psalm lxxxix. 1.

Mercy shall be always of the loving kindness of the Lord: with my mouth will I ever be shewing forth his truth from one generation to another.

Psalm exi.

4. The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance.

Psalm cvi.

2. No man can express the noble acts of the Lord: or shew forth all his praise.

Psalm cxi.

2. The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

Psalm cxlvii.

6. The Lord stretcheth up the meek; and bringeth the unicorn down to the ground.

Psalm cxiii.

6. The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment: for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

9. For he will not always be chiding: neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10. He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

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For look how high the Heavens is in comparison of the Earth: so great is his Power to deliver them that fear him.

Yea like as a father pitieth his own children: even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him. Psal. lxxi. 13.

Thou, O God, hast redeemed us: thou hast redeemed us, even as silver is tried. Psal. lxxi. 9.

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads, we went through fire and water: but thou hast brought us out into a wealthy place.

Oh, how great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed us: and yet wilt thou turn and refresh us, yea and bringest us from the deep of the earth again. Psal. lxxi. 18.

Thou dost remember us in our low estate, and redeem us from our enemies: for thy mercy endureth for ever. Psal. cxxxvi. 23; 24.

Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned again the captivity of Jacob. Psal. lxxxv. 1.

God hath shewed us his goodness plenteously: and God hath let us see our desire upon our enemies. Psal. lix. 10.

They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen and stand upright. Psal. xx. 8.

There are they fallen, all that work wickedness: they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand. Psal. xxxvi. 12.

The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us: even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron. Psal. cxv. 12.

He shall bless them that fear the Lord both small and great. Psal. cxv. 13.

O that Men would therefore praise the Lord for his Goodness: and declare the wonders that he doth for the Children of Men. Psal. cvii. 21.

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and tell out his Works with Gladness. Psal. cxvii. 32.

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Ps. lxxviii. And not hide them from the children of the Generation to come: But shew the honour of the Lord his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

6. That our Posterity may also know them, and the
7. Children that are yet unborn: and not be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn Generation.

Ps. lxxviii. 26. Give thanks, O Israel, unto God the Lord, in the Congregations: from the ground of the heart.

19. Praised be the Lord daily: Even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

Ps. vii. 9. Let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end: but establish thou the righteous.

Ps. xl. 19. Let all those that seek thee, be joyful and glad in thee: and let all such as love thy salvation, say always, The Lord be praised.

Glorie be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ Proper Psalms. CXXIV. CXXVI. CXXIX. CXVIII.

The first, 2 Sam. i. 9. v. 9. or Num. xvi.

¶ Proper Lessons.

Te Deum.

The second, the Epistle of St. Jude.

Jubilate Deo.

¶ The Suffrages next after the Creed shall stand thus.

Priest.
O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,

Answer.
And grant us thy salvation.

Priest.
O Lord, save the King,

Answer.
Who putteth his trust in thee.

Priest.

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Priest.

Send him help from thy holy place.

Answer.

And evermore mightily defend him.

Priest.

Let his enemies have no advantage against him.

Answer.

Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.

Priest.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer.

Because there is no other, that fighteth for us but only thou, O God.

Priest.

Be unto us, O Lord, a strong Tower.

Answer.

From the face of our Enemies.

Priest.

O Lord, hear our Prayer.

Answer.

And let our cry come unto thee.

¶ Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer shall these two which follow be used.

O Almighty God, in heart a strong Tower of Defence unto thy servants against the face of their Enemies; We yield thee Praise and Thanks, for the wonderful Deliverance of these Thy Kingdoms from THE GREAT REBELLION and all the Miseries and Oppressions

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pressions consequent thereupon, under which they had so long groan'd. We acknowledge it thy Goodness, that we were not utterly deliver'd over as a prey into them: Beseeching thee still to continue such thy Mercies towards us; that all the World may know, That thou art our Saviour and Mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord God of our Salvation, who hast been exceedingly gracious unto this Land, and by thy miraculous Providence didst deliver us out of our miserable Confusions, by Restoring to us, and to his own just and undoubted Rights, our then most gracious Sovereign Lord, thy Servant King Charles the Second, (notwithstanding all the power and malice of his Enemies) and by placing him in the Throne of this Kingdom; thereby restoring also unto us the publick and free Profession of thy true Religion and Worship, together with our former Peace, and Prosperity, to the great Comfort and Joy of our hearts: We are here now before thee, with all due Thankfulness, to acknowledge thine unspeakable Goodness herein, as upon this day, shew'd unto us, and to offer up our Sacrifice of Praise for the same, unto thy great and glorious Name; humbly beseeching thee, to accept this our unfeigned though unworthy Oblation of our selves: Admiring all holy Obedience in Thought, Word and Work unto thy Divine Majesty; and promising in thee and for thee all loyal and dutiful Allegiance to thine Anointed Servant now set over us, and to his Heirs after him: Whom we beseech thee to bless with all Increase of Grace, Honour and Happiness in this World, and

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and to Crown him with Immortality and Glor-
ry in the World to come, for Jesus Christ his
Sake, our onely Lord and Saviour. Amen.

In the end of the Litany, (which shall always this
day be used) after the Collect, *We humbly beseech*
thee, O Father, &c. shall this be said which next fol-
loweth.

A Lmighty God, who hast in all Ages shew'd
forth thy Power and Mercy in the mira-
culous and gracious Deliverances of thy
Church, and in the Protection of righteous and
religious Kings and States, professing thy ho-
ly and eternal Truth, from the malicious Con-
spiracies and wicked Practices of all their En-
emies: We yield unto thee from the very bot-
tom of our hearts unfeigned Thanks and
Praise, as for thy many great and publick Mer-
cies, so especially for that signal and wonderful
Deliverance by thy wise and good Providence,
as upon this Day, completed and vouchsafed to
our then most gracious Sovereign King Charles
the Second, and all the Royal Family: And in
Them and with Them to this whole Church
and State, and all Orders and Degrees of
Men in both, from the unnatural Rebellion,
Usurpation and Tyranny of ungodly and re-
bellious men, and from the sad Confusions and Ru-
in thereof ensuing. From all these O Merciful
and Merciful Lord God, not our merit,
but thy Mercy; Not our foresight, but thy Pro-
vidence; Not our own Arm, but thy Right
Hand, thy strong Arm, and the Light of thy
Countenance did Rescue and Deliver us; even
because thou hast a Favour unto us. And

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therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name be ascribed all Honour, Glory and Praise, with most humble and hearty Thanks, in all Churches of the Saints: Even so, Blessed be the Lord our God, who alone doth wondrous things; And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever, through Jesus Christ our onely Lord and Saviour. Amen.

¶ In the Communion-Service, immediately before the reading of the Epistle shall these two Collects be used, instead of the Collect for the King and the Collect of the day.

O Almighty God, who art a strong Tower of Defence unto thy Servants against the Face of their Enemies; We yield thee Praise and Thanks for the Wonderful Deliverance of these three Kingdoms from THE GREAT REBELLION, and all the Miseries and Oppressions consequent thereupon, under which they had so long groan'd. We acknowledge it thy Goodness that we were not utterly delivered over as a Prey unto them: Beseeching thee still to continue such thy Mercies towards us; that all the World may know, that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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¶ The Epistle. 1 S. Pet. II. 11.—17.

¶ The Gospel. S. Matth. XXII. 16.—22.

¶ In the Offertory shall this Sentence be read.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he that doth the Will of my Father which is in Heaven, S. Matth. vii. 21.

¶ After

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¶ After the Prayer For the whole state of Christs Church,
&c. this Collect following shall be used.

A Almighty God and heavenly Father, who of
thy infinite and unspeakable Goodness to-
wards us, didst in a most extraordinary and won-
derful manner disappoint and overthrow the
wicked Designs of those traitorous, heady and
high-minded men, who under the pretence of
Religion, and thy most holy Name, had con-
tributed and well nigh effected the utter Destru-
ction of this Church and Kingdom: As we do
this day most heartily and devoutly adore and
magnifie thy glorious Name for this thy infi-
nite gracious Goodness already vouchsafed to
us; so we most humbly beseech thee to continue
thy Grace and Favour towards us, hiding and
covering us under the shadow of thy wings, that
no such dismal Calamity may ever again fall
upon us. To this end send forth thy light and
thy truth, for the discovery of these depths of
Satan, this mystery of iniquity, Infatuate and
defeat all the secret Counsels of the ungodly.
Abate their Pride, assuage their Malice, and
confound their Devices. Strengthen the
hands of our gracious King James; and all that
are put in Authority under him, with Judgment
and Justice, to cut off all such workers of in-
iquity, as turn Religion into Rebellion, and
Faith into Faction; that they may never again
prevail against us, nor triumph in the ruine of
the Monarchy and thy Church among us. Pro-
tect and defend our Sovereign Lord the King,
with the whole Royal Family, from all Treas-
on and Conspiracies. Be unto him a Hel-
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met of Salvation, and a strong Tower of Defence against the Face of all his Enemies. As for those that are implacable, cloath them with Shame and Confusion, but upon himself and his Posterity let the Crown for ever flourish. So we that are thy People and the Sheep of thy pasture shall give thee thanks for ever, and will always be shewing forth thy praise from Generation to Generation, through Jesus Christ our onely Saviour and Redeemer; to whom with thee O Father, and God the Holy Ghost, be Glory in the Church throughout all Ages, world without end. Amen.

S. Matt: ch. 22. v. 16th.

And they sent unto him their disciples the Herodians, saying, Master wee know thou art true, and teachest the way of truth, neither carest thou for any man, for regardest not the person of men. Tell us then what thou thinkest. It is lawfull to give to Cesar or not? But Jesus perceived their craft and said, why tempt ye me ye Hypocrites? The tribute money, and they brought unto him a penny. and he saith unto them whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him then saith he unto them render unto Cesar the things which are Cessars God the things that are Gods.